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#### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 25th March, 1957

No. 4/17/57-Admn.—The President has learnt with deep regret of the death of Shri Purushottam Mangesh Lad, I.C.S., Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, in the afternoon of Sunday, March 24, 1957, at Bombay.

In the premature death of Shri Lad, who was 52, the Government have lost a highly conscientious and energetic officer whose services in various capacities were marked with great ability and imagination.

After a brilliant academic career at the Bombay and Cambridge Universities, Shri Lad entered the Indian Civil Service in 1928 and held different executive and later judiciary posts under the Bombay Government. From 1947 to 1954 he was Legal Remembrancer and Secretary to the Bombay Government, in the Legal Department, and for some time officiated as Chief Secretary to the Bombay Government. In March 1954 he was appointed Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

A distinguished scholar in Marathi, Sanskrit and Pali, Shri Lad had to his credit a book of essays in Marathi (KRITTIKA), a collection of poems (MADHUPARK), a learned treatise on Tukaram's poetry and other works.

The Government mourn the loss of a distinguished and conscientious officer and wish to place on record their appreciation of his exemplary devotion to duty. To the bereaved family, they offer their heartfelt condolences.

J. C. MATHUR, Joint Secy.

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